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SUBJECT: CSCE: DISCUSSION OF STAGE III TIMING

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1. SINCE OVERALL EVIDENCE SUGGESTS THAT JUNE 30 MEETING OF COORDINATING COMMITTEE WILL PROBABLY NOT PRODUCE A CONSENSUS ON A SPECIFIC DATE FOR CONVENING STAGE III, WE SUGGEST YOU CONTINUE LOW KEY POSITION IN SUPPORT OF ALLIES' LEAD ALONG FOLLOWING LINES: (A) WE JOIN OUR ALLIES IN CONSIDERING A JULY STAGE III CONCLUSION TO CSCE BOTH DESIRABLE AND FEASIBLE; (B) WE HOPE IT WILL BE POSSIBLE TO REACH AGREEMENT ON REMAINING UNRESOLVED ISSUES IN TIME FOR CONVENING STAGE III IN PERHAPS LAST TEN DAYS OF JULY; (C) FOR OUR PART, WE BELIEVE FINAL COMPROMISE TEXTS SHOULD BE PROVISIONALLY REGISTERED ON THE MANEUVERS CBM AND QRR BEFORE A DECISION IS MADE ON PRECISE DATES FOR STAGE III; (D) WE WELCOME CURRENT ACTIONS TO

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SPEED UP NEGOTIATIONS AND WILL CONTRIBUTE FULLY TO

EFFORTS TO ACHIEVE BALANCED FINAL CONFERENCE RESULTS.

2. YOU SHOULD CONTINUE TO KEEP DEPARTMENT FULLY INFORMED OF

OF COORDINATING COMMITTEE DISCUSSIONS ON TIMING.

SHOULD IT BECOME CLEAR THAT ALLIES ARE MOVING TOWARD
AGREEMENT ON A SPECIFIC DATE FOR HELSINKI FINALE, YOU
SHOULD REQUEST FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS. INGERSOLL

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